trace, having, as you will remember, publicly dedared, "that it must and should be put a stop to; and, having by his various public acts, evinced a determinatian to carry out, to the very letter, that declaration, one is unwilling to thus suddenly charge him with a desire to encourage the slave traders in their beliefs trade. Yet this conclusion is almost forced apon the mind, because the facilities for landing Africans in the numerous small bays and creeks on the estire coast of this Island are so great and, equally so are the means of concealment upon the estates of them when lended, that requiring the registration of all slaves, upon the estates, would really appear to be rapidly increased. After calm and mature delibe-tion upon this subject, I have come to the conclus-that Gen. Concha has been literally worried into t that Gen. Concha has been literally warried into this making act, by interested Spannards and practers, who have made such representations to him as to induce the abrogation of the decree of the Marquis de la Pesucia, to which, above reference is made. Certain, however, is it, that the British authorities in this Island have taken a correct view of this recent act of Gen. Concha, and there cannot be any doubt, but the most strenuous exertions of their Government will be made to cause the Captain-General to revice his recent act. Indeed, should be hesitate a single instant in doing so, after the evil consequences that, probably, will arise from it are made manifest to him, then all his previous acts, all his previous presentations and deciarations of desiring to suppress the slave-trade, must be set down as valueless—as to aim, then all his previous acts all his previous appressible slave-trade, must be set down as valueless—as aimple, yet base falsehoods. Unwilling as I am to attribute conduct of such a character to any man—more especially to one who occupies the distinguished position of the Captain-General of this magnifisent leand—yet, should I become convinced that his past conduct has been of a deceptive character, my sense of duty and love of trath will lead me, unhesitatingly, to express my feelings in unmistakable language; and neither respect for the individual, nor fear of personal highry to myself, shall prevent me from holding up the hypocritical false-dealer to public destation. But I would not act thus prematurely, rather let me incline to an opposite view of the mutter—though it should unbappily prove errone us—than unjustly condemn a man from whom I, at least, an isduced to hope better things. Therefore, I pause unit some further act of the Captain-General shall leave no room for eavil, as to the hereafter, upon this, the most important question in connection with this Government.

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ps, chiefly artillery, marched from this city; but

i point is their destination, I am unable to state. rably mistaken habit prevails here, of kee A miserably mistaken habit prevails here, of keeping ing every one except the authorities, in utter ignorance respecting all such matters—the result of which is that a great variety of reports, injurious to the pace of the Island, get into circulation; while, were the people made acquainted with the true state of affairs, they would be less inclined to give credence to every stupid falsehood which falls from the lips of designing men.

Louis Cortes, was deprived of his place and declared by a high tribunal incapable of being again employed by the Government of the Island—he having dragged a prisoner who had escaped from him from be-seath the steps of the altar of a church, during di-vine service!—General Concha, regard tes of this vine service !—General Concha, regard *so of this sentence, has appointed this man to tl[†] office of Captain of a Partido in one of the most valuable districts of the Island. The being true regardless of the sentence of one of the superior Courts will searcely add to the popularity of Gen. Concha—apart from the consideration of the dislike entertained by the Creoles, to thus behold one of their countrymen rewarded for "turning traitor" (as they say) to their came—he having, a year or two since, been one of the principal informers against the Vuelta Abajo conspirators.

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An additional Political and Civil Secretary's office bas been recently established. The new secretary is to receive \$1,800 per annum, his chief clerk \$1,200, his second clerk \$1,000, and the third \$200 per annum, while \$3,000 annually are allowed for extra hands, to perform writing, and for a porter, &c. This, of course, will form a new cause of complaint on the

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The train on the Railway between this city and Malanzas was thrown off the track on the 2d inst. A negro was I learn, killed on the spot, while several of the passengers were severely injured.

An explosion of the gas took place recently in a milering establishment and hat store, in Composities 5. Fortunately, no great injury was sustained. Select Don Ignacio Gonzales de Olivares, on the Sh.inst., took the caths and office of "Regent" of the "Real Audiencia," to which high office he has been appointed by the Queen of Spaim. There was a great ceal of ceremony used upon the occasion. His Excellency, the Captain-General, assisted upon the occasion, and as may be expected, there was a vast display of complimentary expression between the two dignitaries.

There really has been one or two chilly, not cold, nights, when a blanket and coverlet were comfortable. During the day, however, the climate is truly a Cicous—sufficiently warm in the shade to render an overcoat an incumbrance, yet not so warm as to render quick walking disagreeable.

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A CURIOUS SURPRISE—A SEVEN-YEARS SLEEP.—
A letter from San Francisco to Mr. R. R. Harris, of this city, from his brother, relates a curious incident hat occurred there a short time since, which we do not recollect having seen in print. Her Britannic Bijesty's exploring ship Ployer arrived at San Francisco a shert time since from the Polar Sea, where he had been ice bound since 1847. When she left fan Francisco, some years ago, it was a mere trading station, resorted to by a few vessels in pursuit of hides, and the town or place contained only a few adobe buses. The captain and crew of the Plover expected to find the same San Francisco in 1834 that key left in 1847. The captain, therefore, sailed into the bay without a pilot, and approached the city in the evening. He was much amazed at the numerous that he saw. When he awoke from his dream of even years, the next morning, he found a noble city ecupying the site of the ancient San Francisco. He had known nothing of the Mexican war, and cession of California to the United States, and the many ther great events that had taken place during the line he had been locked up in the frozen rezions of the North.

Expensive Luxury.—S. M. Booth, Editor of The Liventhee Free Democrat, has received the sum of 8,500, from one Henry Burchard, who took the lib

Silwaukee Free Democrat, has received the sum of R 500, from one Henry Burchard, who took the lib sty of cowhiding said Booth some months since.

FIRES.

FIRE IN BROADWAY. About 6 o'clock Thursday morning a fire broke out a the workshop of Horatio N. Wild, confectioner, in the rear of his store, No. 451] Broadway. The flames spread with considerable rapidity, and communicated to the front building, No. 451, occupied by H. Weildstein, optician; also to the adjoining building, No. 449, first floor, occupied by H. Rodgers, as a toy store; second floor by J. C. & D.
Hyatt, anatomists. The firemen of the district
were early on the ground, but before they could sub
due the flames the workshop of Mr. Wild, with other ma'l buildings in the rear, were destroyed. Tae car of the buildings on Broadway, above-named, vere greatly damaged by fire. The buildings detroyed were frame. The fire is supposed to have arginsted from the furnace used in the manufacture feardy in Mr. Wild's shop.

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by, exceed \$250. They are insured \$2,000 in the Commonwealth, \$2,000 in the Hamilton, and \$2,000 athe Fafarge Insurance Companies. Mr. Wieldstein stained but little less. He is insured \$2,800 in the Recelsior, \$2,000 in the Hamilton, \$2,000 in the Beekman, and \$2,000 in the St. Marks.

Mr. Rodgers's loss is trifling. Fully insured. Mr. Wild has sustained a loss amounting to about 1,500. Insured \$2,000 in the Pacific Insurasce Com-

FIRE IN WATER-ST.

At 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon a fire occurred in supper part of the building corner of Water and consevelt-sts. It was occasioned by the burning of sather bed. Loss triffing.

FIRE IN ELDRIDGE-ST. At 91 o'clock last evening, a fire occurred in the ing in Eldridge-st., near Division, occupied by 6, 15 Hose Company. The flames were soon ex-

quished. Damage \$100, CORRECTION.—In the case of Christian Adolph Mr., arrested on Wednesday on a charge of seducting it was erroneously stated that \$100 was paid by a to a German ex-constable as a fee for procuring a discharge of the prisoner. The money, instead of a paid to the ex-constable, was paid to a lawyer, at the other claims to have had sothing to de in the EXECUTION OF NICHOLAS BEHAN.

Behan will be executed to day, between 12 and 1 o'clock, within the precincts of the Riverhead Jail, Suffelk County, L. I., for the murder of James Wick ham end his wife, upon the night of the 2d of June last, at the residence of the deceased in Patchogue, Behan is about 21 years of age, stands nearly six feet high, and of a slight frame. He possesses anything head, and his voice has a low, gutteral hourseness in its sound. He is a native of the County Down, in mintary order, and passed before the company in re-Ircland, and has been residing in this country between three and four years. When speaking to him yeater-Blackwell's Island, where the Penitentiary, Workday morning in his cell, he said that his name was not Behan, but Hinnigan; however, Behan is the name be went by here, and the one under which he was tried and found guilty. He dealed baving anything to do with the crime of which he was convicted. He said, "They have the wrong bird in the eye, but they 'intend keeping me." He then spoke about b who, he said, resided in New York. An hour before we went to see him, he was visited by Mr. McCarthy, a Roman Catholic priest, who was allowed to remain alone with him for ten minutes, at the expiration of which time the priest took his leave. Whether Behan confessed the committal of the deed to him or not, remains yet to be known.

From the time of his imprisonment, and particularly after his trial and conviction, Behan behaved himself in the most disorderly manner; so much so, that the keeper was compelled to chain his legs and arms. About a fortnight ago, when the " cuffs were removed from his wrists he attempted to break loose, but was prevented from doing so by the vigilance of the keeper. After that he took it into his head to starve himself to death, refusing to take the food offered him; but a few day's hunger brought him to his appetite. Last Thursday week he seized the keeper's arm with his teeth and bit it severely; he would have inflicted a deeper wound but for the assistance given to the keeper by a man who hap-

nened to come in at the time.

Within the last three days Beehan's fiery temperament has somewhat cooled down, and he has become more calm, as if he inwardly meditated upon the fearful death he was about to suffer. On Wednesday last as Mr. Edwards, the keeper of the jail, was passing by his cell, he called him, and inquired if the gallows. which was being erected in the yard, was intended for him, and being told that it was, a tear seemed to start to his eyes, as he exclaimed: " May the Lord "have mercy on my soul." When the keeper brought him his food and water for the night, he apologize i to him for all the trouble and aunovance he had given him, and muttered in a desponding tone, " It's all up

CITY ITEMS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC .- From Mr. Paine, the stockholder, who has, with eminent and admirable liberality, assumed the management of the Opera-House, For teenth-st., we learn officially that the company is still under his sole direction, and he makes the announcement that this will be the last opportunity of hearing Grisi and Mario, in Opera, from his own knowledge that they cannot appear at the Academy after this month, and on Mr. Hackett's assurance that he will not himself again attempt Opera. This explicit aunouncement will teach the public the exact state of Opera prospects, and will quicken attendance to the few remaining representations. In consequence of the indisposition of Signor Mario, the part of "Pol in Norma, will de done to-night by Signor Lorini, late first tenor of the Havana troupe.

OPENING OF THE ROOMS OF THE NEW ENGLAND Young Men's Association .- The members of this Association celebrated the opening of their new rooms, No. 760 Broadway, on Monday evening last. After disposing of the business of the meeting the company took supper together, and otherwise enjoyed them selves for the rest of the evening. This society pro poses to improve its members, socially, physically and intellectually; to this end the rooms have been provided with books and periodicals, and a gymna sium will soon be completed for the use of the men bers. Their rooms, which are handsomely furnished, are opened day and evening. The officers are F Willis Fisher, M.D., President; E. W. Blake, Vice-President; E. W. B. Osgood, Secretary: J. O. Frost, A. L. Tuttle, J. S. Chase, Directors.

Prog. Tonney's Lectures. -The last lectures of Prof. Torrey, upon the Phenomena of Combustion, was delivered before a numerous audience, in Clinton Hall, yesterday evening. The lecture and experiments were eminently interesting, and, if possible elicited more applause than the lecture of Monday

YOUNG MEN'S FRANKLIN LITERARY ASSOCIATION. This Society celebrated its Seventeenth Anniversary last evening, in Bethesda Chapel, Chrystie-st. The Church was filled with spectators, and the exercises, consisting of Poems, Essays and Debates, were spiritedly delivered, and much applaaded.

Mr. C. C. Leigh, member elect to the Assembly from the Ninth Ward, yesterday declined the invitation of the Ten Governors to visit, in company with other members elect of the Legislature, the Public Institutions. He declines participating because he thinks the public money should not be expended in

The Board of Aldermen, last evening, adopted a resolution calling upon the Special Committee on the erection of the proposed City Hall, to inquire into and report upon the expediency of enlarging the old City Hall, to make it of sufficient capacity, instead of building a new structure. A resolution calling upon the property-clerk of the Tombs Police Court a full account of all stolen property entrusted t his care, for the past three months, was adopted. The report of the Special Committee in favor of referring a rettlement of the claims of W. B. Reynolds to three appraisers, and directing the City Inspector to advertise for proposals for and the contract, was adopted. The term for the new contract is five years, and among the specifications in it will be the purchas ing of the boats, works, &c., of W. B. Reynolds. The City Inspector, in the meantime, is authorized to remove any offal or other nuisance. There was a long and useless discussion on a resolution of Ald. Wakeman to hold a special meeting on Tuesday even ing to take into consideration the appointment of clerks for some of the Civil and Police Courts, and inviting the Mayor to meet with the Board on this easion. Finally the resolution was adopted. The Board of Councilmen met last night, but did

nothing of public importance.

VALUE OF IMPROVEMENT IN BEEF CATTLE .- A pair of three-year old steers sold yesterday at Bull's Head for \$450. They were full-blood Durhaus, though not properly "short-horns," as they come from a stock that wear horns of medium size, handsome curve and taper. One was white and the other a red rosn, the red predominating. Both were very fine in the bone, and handled admirably. We think, as did all that saw them, that they were the finest pair of beeves ever offered in this market. The weight of beef in each was estimated at about 15 cwt. -the owner thought they would weigh more. They were raised by Capt. Garrett, of Woodford Co., Ky. Their sale is noticed under our head of Cattle Market.

There were in the same pen three white Durham three-year old beifers, valued at \$500.

There were sold the same day, in the same market, other steers and heifers at \$25 a \$30 each. This would require thirty head to produce the same amount of money as those five. The value of improvement was perfectly manifest. The meat of one grade sold at 7c. a pound; the other for 15c. Comment is un-

THE INSTITUTIONS UNDER THE TES GOVERNORS .-Yesterday a number of the members of the Leetslature, by invitation of the Board of Ten Governors, paid a visit to the Instigntions under their charge, for the purpose of becoming better acquainted with their workings, and the benefits arising therefrom. The ecompany—including the Governors, numbering in all shout twenty five persons-first processed to Ranbut a prepossessing countenance. His face is some- from 2 months to 12 years of age. The schools were what round, with keen, suchen eyes, and of sallow first visited, and the children sang some pieces in a complexion. When speaking, he hangs down his menner which reflected credit upon themselves and House, Hospitals, &c., were visited. Several hours having been spent in a most interesting and profitable manner, the company were invited (and of course no ope declined) to partake of an excellent dinner.

Gov. Draper explained the object of inviting the members of the Legislature to make this visit, which was, that they might become thoroughly acquainted and further, that laws may be enacted by which it may be ascertained who are legally entitled to the benefits of these institutions—there being now a large number in them properly coming under the manage-

ment of the Commissioners of Emigration.

Speeches and sentiments were exchanged by Mo Conklin, the Hon. Mr. Munday, Govs. West, Conover, Duke and Dugro, Mr. Coleman, of the Astor House, and others; after which the company returned

FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY .- Mr. Pease has adopted a good plan for the benevolent to feed those who beg for food, instead of giving them money. He has issued tickets, which are sold ten for a dollar, each one of which will entitle the bearer to a good meal, whenever it is called for, at the Five Points House of In-

dustry. Mr. Pense says:

"So many are really hungry and houseless, and at
the same time so many make a pretense of this kind,
in order to get money for other purposes—that we
have decided to issue these tickets for the use of benevolent persons, to be distributed to the needy in

lace of money."

The purchase of these tickets will work a double good. It will add funds to the House if the tickets are never returned, and if they are, there may be still a little profit; and it will enable those who give them to discharge a duty they owe the poor, not to let the really hungry suffer; for such as are so will be well fed upon the presentation of a ticket. The tickets can be had every day at the office of the House, or will be sent on application by penny post.

AMERICAN GEOGRAPHICAL AND STATISTICAL SO-CIETY.—The members of this Society held a meeting last evening, at their rooms in the University Building: the Rev. Dr. Hawks in the chair. Mr. Kuhl. the well known traveler, exhibited and explained his interesting maps relating to the discovery of America, which have been herotofore noticed in THE THINKSE.

" Six Months with the Aillied Troops in Turkey," is the title of a lecture by David J. Peck, who has re-cently returned from the East, and will speak to-night at Clinton Hall, Astor place.

CHARGE OF CONSTRACY .- Mathias P. Coons, Martin S., his son, and Clark S. Dunning, all residents of Brooklyn, were yesterday arrested by Officer Rue, of the Lower Police Court, charged with conspiracy to procure the arrest of Jas. T. Leete, of No. 130 Broadway. It appears that for some months past a misunderstanding has existed between the complainant and the accused, relating to the possession of promiseory notes to the amount of \$20,000, held by the complainant, and claimed by Mr. Coons. Senr., who repeatedly called upon Mr. Leete for the notes, and was finally told by him that if legal steps were taken against him by Coens, he would "kill, annihilate, and follow him to the gates of perdition." Mr. Coons, upon being thus threatened, made a complaint against Mr. Leete, and he was arrested and held to bail to keep the peace. Mr. L. then proceeded be fore Justice Osborne and preferred complainants against the three first named parties, charging them with muliciously entering into a combination and conspiracy to procure his arrest, and on his affidavit they were held to bail in \$100 each, to answer the charge, Mr. Lecte has also been arrested on complaint of one of the defendants on a charge of perjury, in swearing falsely in a suit in which he was defendant and Mr. Coops. Senr , the plaintiff, and his examination is now

THE OCEAN BANK EMBEZZLEMENT CASE .- The examination of Wm. B. McGunkin, late First Teller of the Ocean Bank, who is charged with embezzling a large amount of the funds of the bank, was co menced yesterday before Judge Beebe. The evi-Bank, was taken, who states that since the defalcation it had been ascertained that for upward of a year past McGuckin had been in the habit of certifying the checks of Mr. Freeman Loomis, and those of J. & J. S. Dunning, when they and no funds in the bank to meet them, and had done so for Mr. Loomis to the extent of \$50,000, and for the Messrs. Dunning over \$20,000; and further, that he had made false entries, and that the total defalcation amounted to \$104,400 66. The examination stands adjourned to Saturday next.

SERIOUS STAGE ACCIDENT. - Patrick Moore, a newsboy, while at play on Thursday morning in front of Tammany Hall with another boy, was knocked down by one of the First av. stages, driven by Wm. H. Pinckney. One of the wheels passed over the head of Moore, causing a very dangerous and perhaps fatal injury. He was attended by Dr. Hardenbrook, who was at the office of the Chief of Police at the time, and afterward conveyed to the New-York Hospital. The driver of the emnibus was arrested, but it is now thought that no blame will be attached to him.

MUTINY AND ROBBERT BY SAILORS.—On Wednesday evening, three young men, named Andrew George, John Molony, and Adam Fargo, who had shipped on board the bark Osprey, lying at the foot of Sixteenth St., E. R., made an attack upon John Curry, one of the crew, whom they beat, and afterward broke open his trunk and robbed it of \$10, a watch and chain, and considerable clothing. The mate of the vessel interfered in behalf of Curry, when he was set upon by the three men, knocked down and brutally beaten, after which they procured a row-boat and started off in it for Fulton Ferry. Capt. Leonard, of the Second Ward Police, was informed of the circumstance, and dispatched Offiser Rice to arrest the effenders, and they were taken into custody, with the stolen property in their possession, Justice Bogart, yesterday, committed them to prison for examination. MUTINY AND ROBBERY BY SAILORS .- On Wednes

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At the lavius House, Gen. Cadwallader, Phil.; Hon. Thos. Farinaton. Gweece: Capt. R. R. Marry, U. S. A.; J. Howard, Farinaton. Gweece: Capt. R. R. Marry, U. S. A.; J. Howard, T. R. Burling, G. Ween, Hartford, C.; Garder, N. Marry, D. B. D. Bornel, Montgomer Co., C. G. W. Hom. J. Beach, Lencaster, Fa.; D. D. Rockwell, Iowa; R. D. D. Stanton, Washington, D. C. A. Wheaton, Syracuse; James Dean, Boston; W. Wilkens, Baltimore; W. H. Tallimore, Ponchkeepser; A. W. Sherman, Newburgh, D. O. Macome, Ponchkeepser; A. W. Sherman, Newburgh, D. O. Macome, Middlenown; Horace White, Syracuse; O. Hail, Olive, R. S. Warren, Albany; D. F. Mance, Long Island, J. P. Towarend, Boston; A. Lancing, Buffalo, Ex-Gov. Clifford, Mass: Lt. Lincelb., do., Arthe Matroporturas, C. S. Hutchins, Raston; J. H. Redington, California; W. Bacco, Boston; Wm. Ballenton, St. Louis, James F. Brown, Benen, Vista; S. G. Savage, Hartford; T. Andrews, St. Louis; Wm. Fairbank, Woodland; H. H. Hillingford, Philadelphia; D. R. Pratt, Mass.; H. K. Drake, Cuba.

The best Holiday Present is one of ROOT'S re-markable STREESCOPES. Call and see them at No. 363 Broad-way. All kinds of picture taken in any weather.

[Advertisement.]
WIGS AND TOUPEES.—A Silver Medal awarded to Madden & Heard, No 77 Maiden lane, for the best Wigs and Toupees exhibited at the New York State Fair, 1854.
Back and front Braids, Carls, &c. Copy the address.

The superb specimens of Photography, on Balbidine at Baby's Gallery are attracting universal strention and clieffits the warment applies from conclusions. They are hy in the most perfect photographic flowers are resolved in America.

PHOTOGRAPHS IN OIL .- The large size Photoraths in oil were first introduced by Lawrence several menths error, but helice any other artist had succeeded in proteins them; and yet made no pretense of having a passent to frighten timed ones. Helicamore Photographs in oil, at his rooms than can be found in all the City beside. Photographs takes in recent states of a view his row site of Crayen Photographs in oil takes in roung size and styling the last. The public are narried to relief of the world. M. M. Lawrence, No. 301 Broadway, our, of White st.

[Advectament]
LANE, the Champion Dancer, has created a marked sensation at Punisse's No 663 Broadway. It is unquestionably the greatest Jir Dancer in the world. Any one outbing this saterition can have in themcastract, to their satisfaction by calling at No 663 Broadway, this evening. Bown, the infimitable is always on hand with his budget of comicalities, and manages to keep the audience in a roar.

WHAT BUSINESS OR PURSUIT SHALL I FOL-Low '-A question answered only by a PHRENOLOGIST. Are you adapted to either of the learned professions' Phrenology enewers correctly. Are you best adapted to business' to

private life. The proceeds of these lectures are to applied to benevolent objects.

DISCHARGE OF THE JURY IN THE TUCKER MURDER Case. - The Jury in this case came into Court yesterday morning, unable to agree upon a verdict, and were discharged. They were sent out at 1 o'clock on Tuesday and consulted until 20'clock vesterday moraing, having been absent forty-four hours. On being discharged they stood seven for conviction and five

ACTIONS FOR DAMAGES. - In the Circuit Court, 1 terday, Judge Rockwell presiding, an action was brought by W. S. Nichols against Wm. Earle Arnold for damages arising out of assault and bettery com-mitted on plaintiff by defendant, in his office in Wall-

for damages arising out of assault and buttery committed on plaintiff by defendant, in his office in Wallst. New York, on the eth of April last, under circumstances of an aggravated character. Damages for plaintiff, 8500. E. D. Culver, E.q., for plaintiff.

An action for damages was brought against the Lorg Island Railroad Company by Patrick O Kelly for it juries sustained by the upsetting of a cur on the road between Hicksville and Farmingdale in February last. The car fell down an embankment twelve fest high, and plaintiff a wrist was broken. The defense contend that the accident was unavoidable—that the rains had undermined the track, and the damger could not be perceived by those uncharge of the train. Counsel for plaintiff held that the Company was responsible for allowing the track to become undermined, as it was their duty to keep the road in proper order and prevent accident. The Jury was directed to bring in a scaled verdict, and the Court adjourned. Crook & Campbell for plaintiff. Weeks and Deforest for defendants.

City Court.—In this Court, yesterday, Judge Greenwood presiding.) Wm. McAlister and Elward O Harra, indited for riot and tumult in assailing members of No. 19 Engine while returning from a fire, were tried and convicted, and were fined \$15 each. Laurence Duval and Thomas Smith, convicted of selling liquor without license, were fined \$70 each.

TIMELT DISCOVERY .- About it o'clock on Wednesday night a straw bed in the liquor store of John Cavanegh, on the corner of Atlantic and Columbia ats, was discovered to be on fire. The attention of some of the inmates was attracted by the smoke, and it was extinguished. The room in which the fire originated is unoccupied, and it is supposed to have been purposely done by some evil disposed person,

Found Drownen.—The body of a man, about five feet eight inches high, stout, with sandy hair and whiskers, was picked up in the Fulton Ferry-slip, yesterday morning, by Mesers, John Miller and John McLanghlin, employes of the Ferry Company. Deceased had on a black frock coat, grayish pantaloons, and new boots. A silk handkerchief was tied round the collar of his cost. It is thought he waiked ever board from one of the Wall-st, ferry boats the evening previous, and was floated to the Fulton Ferry by the action of the tide.

WILLIAMSBURGH ITEMS.

THE NEW CONTEACT OF THE GAS COMPANY.—A large meeting of some of the most respectable citizens of Williamsburgh, was held last evening in the Savines Bank Building, to take into consideration the reof Williamsburgh, was need hat evening in the Savening Benk Building, to take into consideration the recent action of the Common Council, notwithstanding the veto of the Mayor, granting to the Williamsburgh Gos Light Company a new contract for 10 years, which is considered unjust and oppressive upon the residents of the city. Mr Edmond Driggs was chosen charman. The veto of the Mayor in regard to the new contract was read and approved.

A Committee consisting of Messrs, Horace Thayer, Dr. Isaacson and Damas Strong was appointed, and submitted a preamble and resolutions, setting forth chief-time to the new contract which was nossed by

Dr. Isaacsen and Damas Strong was appointed, and submitted a preamble and resolutions, setting forth objections to the new contract which was passed by the Common Council, over the veto of the Mayor.

Mr. Dregs called the attention of the meeting to several points in the contract, which will give the Company a decided advantage over consumers.

The final result was, to appoint an Executive and Finance Committee, to take steps toward procuring an junction upon the contract in question, in order to prevent its consummation, without important alterations, in favor of the gas-consumers.

NEW-JERSEY ITEMS.

Fine Department Fond Benefit.—The benefit of the Fire Department Fund of Jersy-City at Commercial Hall last evening, was entirely successful. The hall was densely filled, and many who had purchased tickets could not gain admittance. The entertainment consisted of vocal and instrumental music, mitations, recitations, &c. The selections were choice, and they were executed in good style, many of them exceedingly well. The performers were volunteers—citizens who, by request, gave their services for the public benefit. Among the volunteers were the Jersy City Brass Band, lately organized, led by J. M. Fleckton; Mr. J. W. Woodraff, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department of Elizabethown, and David J. M. Pfeckton; Mr. J. W. Woodraff, Chief Lagranger of the Fire Department of Elizabethtown, and David Scott, Gen. E. R. V. Wright, Ald. Thompson, D. S. Gregory, jr., R. McCleary, and Messrs. Gautier, Haines, W. A. Townsend, Taylor, Walker, and others of Jersy City. The benefit will reach about \$400. There will be another entertainment in a few weeks for the same purpose.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

CIRCUIT COURT-Dec. 14, 1854

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SUIT FOR ALLEGED SLANDER.

Daniel Bubler act. John Wentworth.

The parties have rival furniture establishments, in Pearl st. and a suit, and cross suit, for alleged assault and battery between parties in employment of plaintiff and defendant, growing out of a feeling apparently connected with the circumstances of the pretent proceeding, were tried some months since, and reported.

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The complaint alleges that the plaintiff is engaged, and has been for the last four years, in the manufacturing and vending of cabinetware, and various other articles connected therewith, at No. 450 Pearl-st., and was also, from May, 1853, connected with No. 454 Pearl-st., and has been engaged, altogether, in New York for six years past, and is also engaged in said business at No. 460 Pearl-st., and has carried on and business extensively, and with integrity, &c.: said business at No. 460 Peariet, and has carried on said business extensively, and with integrity, &c.: but that defendant, envying the happy state and pros-perity of the said plaintiff, in his business and condi-tion, as aforesaid, and contriving, and maliciously intending, to injure plaintiff in his good name and fame, credit and business, at different times, in July, 1853, said of plaintiff, in presence of, and in speaking

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It is also alleged that defendant said to persons, in

regard to plaintiff's establishment, "They have got "the small you in that store, and you had better not the small you in that store, and you had better not enter it on that account. In defense, it is denied that the defendant spoke the

wors alluded to but even if he gid, that they are type. So Messrs Allen and Wagner, and James T Brany appear on behalf of plaintiff, and Messrs. Datet and James R. Whiring for defense.

Mr Allen in opening the case for plaintiff, stated that his client is a large dealer in furniture, and has different stores in Pearlest, and corner of Chatham and Pearl that the hundry and his son were in plaintiff.

that his client is a large dealer in figuriture, and has different stores in Pearlast, and corner of Chatham and Pearl, that decladant and his son were in plaintiff semployment as salesmen. Plaintiff put a stock in No. 484 Pearlast, and the business was done in the name of the defendant—plaintiff farmishing the capital. Subsequently, detendant managed to get the lease of the store himself, and ousted plaintiff, and defendant and Mr. De Graff, a relative, went into partnership. In this way they became acquainted with plaintiff soustomers. Not content with this, defendant began a course of abuse toward plaintiff which was insupportable. Plaintiff had a store each side of that of detendant and for moghth defendant took every opportunity to annoy plaintiff—standing by his door making charges and threats, and causing public indicule toward plaintiff. Finally, more open charges were made—telling persons on the side of that of defendant, and for moghs defendant in the Attal or to some mechanical trade. Before surging in any life pursuit every young man would do well to have a chargand written description by Paor. Fowler, 200 Broadway.

BROOKLYN ITEMS

St. Charles Institute Lectures.—The Rev. Dr. Pise will deliver a lecture before the St. Charles Institute this Priday evening, Dec. 15, at the Brooklyn Athensum. On this occasion he will repeat the lecture which attracted so large an audience at the Saithsenian Institute, at Washington, two winters since. The subject—"Charles Carroll, of Carroll—"ton "—is one of great historic interest to all Americans: and Dr. Pise having been for a long time an inmate of the family of the venerable sta esman, ferare more familiar with the details of his social and private life. The proceeds of these lectures are to of the subject of these lectures are to private life. The proceeds of these lectures are to of private life. The proceeds of these lectures are to of the subject of the social and private life. The proceeds of these lectures are to of the subject of the social and private life. The proceeds of these lectures are to

employment of defendant, but subsequently in the of plantiff testified to having heard defendant the persons that plantiff sold second-hant furniture that his besteads were full of bedbugs; the there was swall-pox on plaintiff s premises. &c. Also, that he was head to say plaintiff was a d—d negro; wherever he went, he would open a store alongside

The case for plaintiff rested. Mr. Dyett, far defense, stated to the Court that the whole of the averments in the complaint had not been proved, and he moved to dismiss the complaint, which was denied.

The Court then adjourned to Friday, when Mr. Dyett will open for detense.

SUPERIOR COURT-GENERAL TERM-DEC. 13.

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BROADWAY RAHEROAD CASE AGAIN.

Thomas E Derivand Centriand Painer aut Over W. Starpevant Leiber R. March and Hereitah B. Loorwa.

The action was brought to recover \$5.00, the penalty
of a bond given on the arrest of Aid Surfevent
upon an attachment issued against him by this Court
tor contempt, in Dec. 1502, in disobeying (with other
Alderment an injunction restraining them from making a grant to dacot Sharpe and others, of the privilege to lay down a Railroad in Broadway. Adderman Stuttevant did not appear, it is alleged, on the
day ordered, and a second attachment was issued
against him, and the bond on the first ordered to be
prosecuted, and plaintiffs (who were plaintiffs in the
suit to restrain the making of the road; authorized,
as as agrees of the sheriff to prosecute.

The defense is as before, that Alderman Scotting in fever of the grant in question to lay down a
track in Broadway, acted, as an Alderman, secording
to his best judgment, in accordance with his duty, and
the Court had no jurisdiction to prohibit his vote in
that respect—also that the allegation is not correct
that he cid not appear in answer to the first strach-

that he cid not appear an alsower to the next exten-ment, he having appeared by counsel—and further, that the plaintiffs in the present suit have no right to bring action, they having sustained no damages by his Lon-appearance, even if he did not answer to the attachment, &c. Argument was heard. Messrs. Van Buren and Histonfor plaintiffs, and Messrs. Field and Sluyter for detense.

COURT OF COMMOS PLEAS-SCIENT TERM - Dec. 14.

Before Judge Daty

This is a question in relation to some rational from, imported by plaining for Mr. Schuylar, President of the Road, and placed in the public store, and amount paid for, it is said, in unauthorized certificates. Argument was presented.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS—Dec. 14.

Arthur Loren, a young Freechman, was tried and convicted of forging a promissory note for \$200, on F. Jousenery, of No. 27 South Williamset, which he assed to Mrs. Margaret O. Kemble, of No. 45 East vincteenthist, in payment for his board bill. The court sentenced him to the State Prison for two years.

Sangal P. Re and indicated for great for two years. Samuel P Breast indicted for grand larseny, in having on the 23d of Nov. last stolen a watch from Frederick Rettech, of No. 211 Canal st., pleaded guilty to petit larveny, and was remanded for sen-

tence.
Townsend D. Haight was tried for maliciously pulling out the tongue of a horse. Before the case was concluded the Court adjourned for the day.

COMMON PLEAS-Nos. 1613 to 1617, 1619, 1620, 1622. U. S. DISTRICT COURT-Nos. 27, 29, 33, 34, 35, 78,

MARRIED.

CHAPIN-WALLER-On Monday evening Dec. 11, by the ley James Millett at bis residence, No. 308 Brooms et., Mr. oseph W. Chapin of Woodbury, Cotn., to Miss Eliza Jans Vallet, of Buffalo, N. Y.

Barlslo pagers please copy, MCCULLOUGH-BAAMORE-On Wednesday, Dec. 13, by the Rev. O. S. St. John, Mr. Rebert K. McCullouch to Miss Martha, daughter of A. Barmore, Esq., all of New York

DIED.

AYRES—At Asteria, L. I. Dec. 1s, Mary, eldest daughter. Theosters and Catharine Ayres, and 17 years and 3 mouths. The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend a functal, which will take place at the M. E. Church, Astria at 3 celeck P. M. on Friday, the 15th inst. BATES—On the morning of the 14th list., Elizabeth R., tee of Hepry W. Bates.

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wife of Heary W Ester.

The tricules of the family are respectfully lawlied to attend
the funeral, on Saturday, 16th list, at 2 o'clock from No. 53

State St. Erocklyn.

BULL—Dec. W Lavinia P., daughter of John S. and Jane Built The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, at other's P. M. of the 15th last, from No. 287 West

cathet. will be taken to Orange County for interment

ext murping.

COX—Of scarlet fever, aged 7 years, Miles P. Cox, son of
M. Semest Cox
His funeral will take place on Saturday meralog, at 10

clock from Summitter, near Henry st. Brooklyn. The
clock of the family are invited to attend no funeral, without

friends of the family are invited to attend the fanceal, without fattlers invitation.

He sparkled, was exhaled, and went to heaven.

HILLER Out R., at Commbia, Brazona County, Texas, Mrs. Casherine F. Hiller, relet of the late Capt. Bestsonin Hiller of New York.

JOHNSON On Wednesday, 1th inst., of consumption, Ade and Johnson, wife of Abe Burnett, Jr.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funcal, at 3 octoors, P. M., in Friday, Dec. 15 from the residence of the fattler, James W. Johnson, Eq., No. 145 West 14th et.

FAXE—The death of W. A. B. Pace, announced in our issue of this morning, has startled in the saddest minner a large croice of affectionate friends.

Mr. Pace was a composition, and as unusual account.

of this morning, has startled in the saddest manner a large ratio of a factionate friends.

All Pace was a compositor and an unusual proficient in his interest. We understand that he was one of the quickest workmen in the country, and was distinguished not only for mechanical adoctiones but in intellectual capacity also. He passessed all the qualifications of a good printer—a quick band, clear head and a good heat. The sudden death of one operations and set compa so full of life and hope and noble improved in a immediate to creams and the pace was native of Augusta fix, and a member of the New Orlean Type Startley Union.

SPGER—A: St. Psul. Minnesota, on the 3d linet, Susan S. daughter of Nathaniel and Sophia Seger, formerly of Maine, and 20 tests of the Startley of Maine, and 20 tests.

SEGER—A: St. Paul. Minnesota, on the 22 inst., vasan Sdaughter of Nathanois and Sophia bears, formerly of Maine,
and 20 years
SBAW—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, the 14th inst., Sarah
Maria, wife of Latimer R. Shaw, and daughter of the late Dr.
J. W. Smith.
H.c. faneral will take place at the third house in Ryerson at,
from Fulton av., on Friday (this day) afternoon. Dec. 15 at 3
ofclock P. M. The friends of the family are invited to attend
without a more particular invitation. A car leaves Fulton
Farry every four minutes.
Her remains will be taken to Rochester for interment.
WING—On Thursday, Dec. 14 of dropsy, Mrs. Hannah
Wing, relict of the late Theodorus Wing, in the 60th year of her
age.

Her relatives and friends, and also the members of Empire Lodge No. 64 I. O of O. F., are respectfully requested to at tene her functui, from the residence of her son in law, Mr Har-vey Brown, No. 146 Clinton et., on Saturday, the 16th lat., at I o'clock P. M.

I o'clock P. M.
Her remains will be interred in the Gypress Hill Cometery.
Poughkeepie papers pieses copy.
WGODBURY—At Chariton, Mass., on the 12th inst., after a singering tinces, Mary, only daughter of Dwight Woodbury, of this Gity, in the 21st year of her age.

COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange ... Drc. 14. 2 (70 Paneme Bde, 2d iss 72 de de de 55 de 56 de 55 de 56 de 55 de 56 de dm ber 17 100 d0 bis 35 Transi Cu all by 100 Harlers Railroad bis 35 dm 15 200 db 15 200 cu ct bis 10 Railroad bis 374 db 52 10 10 Railroad bis 35 db 53 15 10 Railroad bis 35 db 54 15 16 Railroad bis 36 db 65 15 16 6

THURSDAY, Dec. 14-P. M. The business of the Stock Board was to fair extent

this morning, with no important change in the leading Fancies, excepting for New-York Central. The sales of this Stock, the books of transfer having opened to-day, were large—some 2,300 shares—fall-ing off to 781 in the morning, and recovering to 80 at the Second Board, the closing price of yesterday. The report of the Company is considered a favorable one. Eric also improved 1 P cent., closing at 351. Reading was firm at 66 | Hudson River shows no Illinois Central sold at 93, after 1,000 shares change. were sold at auction at 21 292. The managers of this enterprise believe that no further installments will be necessary to complete the main trunk of the Road, and the Chicago branch to the junction with the Ohio and Mississippi Road. Michigan Contral improved to 85. Michigan Southern, 80. Nicaragua is without change from yesterday, 15]. Delaware and Hudson fell off to 103. A sale at buyer's option, 6 months, was made at 107. Pennsylvania Coal, 92. The transactions in State Stocks and Railroad Bonds reach \$175,000, at full prices. Virginias, 89%. Indiana 58, 75%. Included were sales of some 85,000 Illinois Central Bonds, closing at 64%. In Governments, there is nothing doing.

In Exchanges there is but little movement, and rates are heavy. Sterling is 6, 0.81, the latter for leading bankers names. France 5.18 2.5.13 2.

Freights are moderately active and rates without change. Te Liverpool, 30,000 or 35,000 bus. Corn, 31d.: 1,000 bales Cotton, 31dd.; 2,000 bbls Resin, 2/; 1,500 do. Flour, 1/3 & 1/4; 200 do. Pork, 2/; some Dead Weight, 15/; 300 tcs. Beef, 3/. To London, 2.000 bbls. Flour, 2/: 100 bales Hops, id; Dead Weight, 22 6. The Collins steamer has 300 tos. Beef, , and 100 bales Hops Id. To Havre some Cotton wastaken at ic., and Liquors at 2ic. Two charters were made from Attakapas to this port.

The receipts at the Sub-Treasury were \$116,041; payments, 122,402; balance, \$5,652,257. The pay-

ments from the Assay Office were \$221,303. at auction, by A. H. Nicolay: #3 000 Green Bay, Wis & Chicago % Ist mge, int. added, 10 000 New York & Harlem R. R. 7s, Ist mge, int. added, 2 00 Sandusky, Manihaid & Newart RR 1st m int. add. 5 100 Sechina Scothern R. R. 7s, 1963 int. add. 1 000 New York & New Bayen R. R. 1666 int. add. The following sales of Stocks and Bonds were made

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25 shares Feber Cooper Fire Insurance Co.
Simeon Draper's regular semi-weekly sale of Bon

and Stocks will take place at the Merchants Exchange, to-morrow at 12; o'clock. The street was full of rumors to-day in regard to

up-town banks, but there was no foundation for any of them. The Committees of the Clearing-House are confident that shere is no danger of any more banks failing in this City, although some of the weaker banks may probably go into liquidation. It needs nothing but the subsidence of panic feeling and a little growth of confidence on the part of the public to prevent any further troubles among our banks. As far as we can ascertain they are now all being managed prudently and safely, if not profitably. The late disasters have taught them the necessity of cau tion. They have restricted their movements and strengthened their assets until they have placed themselves in a perfectly safe position unless the publi adopt the suicidal policy of forcing them to pay all their liabilities for deposits and circulation in forty-eight hours. The strongest bank in the street could not do this unassisted—no bank is ever expected to be in position to do it. The public should exercise proper discretion in selecting banks for their deposits, and then should extend a generous confidence to them and not be excited by baseless rumors to a run, which is almost certain to precipitate a crisis which might easily have been prevented. The circulation of the City Banks is amply secured with the Controller, and no one should be afraid to keep a pocket-tull of it, if he can get it. It is just as safe as gold. Depositors should keep cool; pay no beed to mere rumors; and if they want inform the condition of their Bank, go directly to the officers, and they will never fail to receive the desired explanation. First of all, however, select for your Bank one managed by skillful and responsible men, whose previous lives give a guarantee that the affaire of the institution over which they preside will be con-

ducted honestly and prudently. The Central Bank, we understand, will pay specie for its notes to-morrow. The Knickerbocker, it is stated, has thus far been enabled to take up its notes sent to the Controller for redemption, and thus no legal steps have been taken for winding it up. The Empire City Bank has secured to the Empire Savings Bank the amount of its deposit, some twenty thousand dollars. Of the Bills Receivable of the Central Bank, some three hundred thousand dollars, we un

derstand that there were only twenty-two thousand